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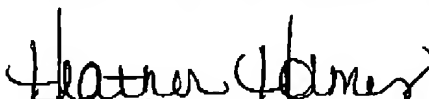
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Dear Sir:

This is to confirm that the Examiner's amendments to place the subject application in condition for allowance are acceptable to applicants' representative.

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Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview is necessary to discuss these changes, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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